

an organic light emission layer for EL emission sandwiched between said first and second electrode layers for together supplying prescribed electric fields to said organic light emission layer, said organic light emission layer being in direct contact with at least one of said electrode layers, wherein

at least said first electrode layer includes a plurality of electrodes arranged with spatial periodicity, and

said plurality of electrodes included in said first electrode layer together with adjacent regions in said second electrode layer including at least one electrode form a plurality of electrode pair regions arranged with spatial periodicity,

a method comprising driving said organic EL emission device in a manner such that said prescribed electric fields are substantially always different from each other in strength as applied with variation in a time-dependent manner to electrode pair regions adjacent to each other among said plurality of electrode pair regions.

2. (Amended) The method of driving the organic EL emission device according to claim 14, wherein electric fields with at least different polarity to be applied to electrode pair regions adjacent to each other among said plurality of electrode pair regions are varied with a constant time periodicity.

3. (Unamended) The method of driving the organic EL emission device according to claim 2, wherein alternating voltages with opposite polarities are applied to electrode pair regions adjacent to each other among said plurality of electrode pair regions.

4. (*Amended*) The method of driving the organic EL emission device according to claim 14, wherein at least said first electrode layer includes a plurality of electrodes in one of a dot-like form and a stripe-like form.

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5. (*Unamended*) The method of driving the organic EL emission device according to claim 4, wherein said second electrode layer includes a plurality of stripe-like electrodes positioned in parallel to the plurality of stripe-like electrodes included in said first electrode layer.

6. (*Unamended*) The method of driving the organic EL emission device according to claim 4, wherein said second electrode layer includes a plurality of stripe-like electrodes arranged to intersect the plurality of stripe-like electrodes included in said first electrode layer.

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7. (*Amended*) The method of driving the organic EL emission device according to claim 14, wherein a first group of electrodes including every other electrode are electrically connected to each other, and a second group of electrodes that remain besides said first group of electrodes are electrically connected to each other in said first electrode layer.

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8. (*Unamended*) The method of driving the organic EL emission device according to claim 5, wherein a first group of electrodes including every other electrode are electrically connected to each other, and a second group of electrodes that remain besides said first group of electrodes are electrically connected to each other in said second electrode layer.

9. (*Unamended*) The method of driving the organic EL emission device according to claim 6, wherein a first group of electrodes including every other electrode are electrically connected to each other, and a second group of electrodes that remain besides said first group of electrodes are electrically connected to each other in said second electrode layer.

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10. (*Amended*) An organic EL emission device, comprising:  
first and second electrode layers, at least one of which is transparent;  
an organic light emission layer for EL emission sandwiched between said first and second electrode layers, said first and second electrode layers for supplying prescribed electric fields to said organic light emission layer, and wherein said organic light emission layer is in direct contact with said second electrode layer; and  
voltage application means for applying a voltage between an electrode included in said first electrode layer and an electrode included in said second electrode layer, wherein at least said first electrode layer includes a plurality of electrodes arranged with spatial periodicity,

said plurality of electrodes included in said first electrode layer together with adjacent regions in said second electrode layer including at least one electrode form a plurality of electrode pair regions arranged with spatial periodicity, and

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such that said prescribed electric fields are substantially always different from one another in polarity in adjacent electrode pair regions and vary in a time-dependent manner.

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14. (*Unamended*) In an organic EL emission device comprising first and second electrode layers, at least one of which is transparent, an organic light emission layer for EL emission sandwiched between said first and second electrode layers for together supplying prescribed electric fields to said organic light emission layer, wherein at least said first electrode layer includes a plurality of electrodes arranged with spatial periodicity, and said plurality of electrodes included in said first electrode layer together with adjacent regions in said second electrode layer including at least one electrode form a plurality of electrode pair regions arranged with spatial periodicity, a method comprising:

driving said organic EL emission device in a manner such that said prescribed electric fields at a given point in time are substantially always different from each other in polarity as applied to electrode pair regions adjacent to each other.

15. (*Unamended*) The method of claim 1, wherein no insulating layer is provided between either of the electrode layers and the light emission layer.

16. (*Unamended*) The device of claim 10, wherein no insulating layer is provided between either of the electrode layers and the light emission layer.

11/18 18. (*Unamended*) The method of claim 14, wherein no insulating layer is provided between either of the electrode layers and the light emission layer.

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Please add the following new claims:

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driving said organic EL emission device in a manner such that said prescribed electric fields at a given point in time are substantially always different from each other in strength as applied to electrode pair regions adjacent to each other.

20. (New) The method of driving the organic EL emission device according to claim 19, wherein electric fields with at least different strengths to be applied to electrode pair regions adjacent to each other among said plurality of electrode pair regions are varied with a constant time periodicity.

21. (New) The method of driving the organic EL emission device according to claim 20, wherein alternating voltages with opposite polarities are applied to electrode pair regions adjacent to each other among said plurality of electrode pair regions.

22. (New) The method of driving the organic EL emission device according to claim 19, wherein at least said first electrode layer includes a plurality of electrodes in one of a dot-like form and a stripe-like form.

23. (New) The method of driving the organic EL emission device according to claim 22, wherein said second electrode layer includes a plurality of stripe-like electrodes positioned in parallel to the plurality of stripe-like electrodes included in said first electrode layer.

24. (New) The method of driving the organic EL emission device according to claim 22, wherein said second electrode layer includes a plurality of stripe-like electrodes arranged to intersect the plurality of stripe-like electrodes included in said first electrode layer.

25. (New) The method of driving the organic EL emission device according to claim 19, wherein a first group of electrodes including every other electrode are electrically connected to each other, and a second group of electrodes that remain besides said first group of electrodes are electrically connected to each other in said first electrode layer.

26. (New) The method of driving the organic EL emission device according to claim 23, wherein a first group of electrodes including every other electrode are electrically connected to each other, and a second group of electrodes that remain besides said first group of electrodes are electrically connected to each other in said second electrode layer.

27. (New) The method of driving the organic EL emission device according to claim 24, wherein a first group of electrodes including every other electrode are electrically connected to each other, and a second group of electrodes that remain besides said first group of electrodes are electrically connected to each other in said second electrode layer.